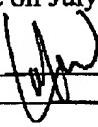


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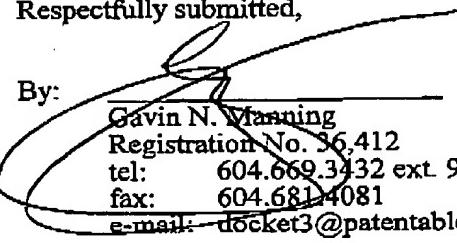
RESPONSE**Introductory Comments**

In response to the restriction requirement in the Office Action mailed 29 June 2004 the Applicant hereby elects Group I (claims 1-19 and 25-29) without traverse.

The Applicant looks forward to further favorable action on this application.

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